

St. Thomas the Apostle

A member of the Churches Together in Nunhead and Hatcham



NEWSLETTER

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MASS TIMES: (Vigil Saturday 6.30pm) - Sundays - 9.00am, 10.30am, 6.30pm
Weekdays - 9.30am Every Sunday - 1.30pm: Mass in Spanish

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Sunday 19 December 2010

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Confessions: Saturdays 10.00am to 11.00am

Mass Intentions –19 December– 26 December 2010

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| Sat 18 | 6.30pm | Margaret Cronin RIP, Joe Heaney RIP |
| Sun 19 | 9.00am | Steed Kiely 1st ANN |
| | 10.30am | Nora Smith Get Well int |
| | 1.30pm | Misa en Espanol. |
| | 6.30pm | Michelle Tolly's int James Hawkins RIP |
| Mon 20 | 9.30am | John Joseph Cronin RIP |
| Tue 21 | 9.30am | Deceased members of the Carroll family In Australia RIP |
| Wed 22 | 9.30am | James Payne RIP |
| Thurs 23 | 9.30am | Communion Service |
| CHRISTMAS EVE | | |
| Fri 24 | | |
| Childrens' Vigil Mass | | |
| | 6.00pm | Gerry Maguire 7 th Anniv. Deceased members of the Dean and Murphy Families |
| | 8.30pm | Misa en Espanol |
| | 11.30pm | Carol Service before Midnight Mass |
| | 12.00am | People of the Parish Madge and Bernard Sweeney RIP |
| CHRISTMAS DAY | | |
| Sat 25 | 9.00am | James Smyth RIP |
| | 10.30am | Maureen McGarvey RIP |
| Sun 26 | 9.00am | Madam Alice RIP |
| | 10.30am | George Bennett |
| | 1.30pm | Misa en Espanol |

Christmas trees on the Altar

We continue to have two Christmas trees on the altar again this year. On one tree you can dedicate a star to somebody you love who you would like to be remembered in prayer throughout the Christmas Season. You can fill in the name of the person you dedicating the star to on the card provided and place it in the box with your donation. All moneys raised for the tree of stars will go the Sacred Hearts fund for sick and retired Priests. On the other tree you we will be collecting non-perishable food items, such as tins of soup, beans, tuna etc and or new items of clothing for men. What we collect under the giving tree we will give to the Manna Centre looking after the homeless all year round. When you put your gift under the tree please place a Christmas decoration on the tree, taller people please use the higher branches leaving the lower ones for people like myself who are vertically challenged! Each decoration on the tree will represent a gift given in generosity to the poor and each star will represent somebody being remembered through the Christmas season.

Churches Together Carol Service

The Church's Together Carol Service will take place this Sunday 19 December at 4.00pm here in our Church. The service is followed by mince pies and coffee in the back hall.

St. Thomas the Apostle Carol Service

We are delighted that the staff and boys from St. Thomas the Apostle Collège will be leading our Carol Service again this year. It will take place on Monday 20 December at 7.00pm. Even as you read this the boys and staff are working very hard on the Carol Service, which as always promises to be a wonderful occasion, so please do come along. As you can imagine on the run up to Christmas it is a very busy time but we do hope that Bishop Pat will be able to come along and join us for the Carol Service this year. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the service on Monday.

Boxing Day

As you know Boxing Day 26 December falls on a Sunday. The masses will be as normal except there will be no 6.30pm mass. Please advise your family or friends there is an evening mass in St. Thomas More East Dulwich. Many thanks for your understanding.

Bank Holiday 27 and 28th

Please note that the morning mass on the bank holidays will be at 11.00am. Many thanks.

Deanery Penitential Service:

The Service will take place on Monday 20 December at St. Thomas More East Dulwich at 7.00pm. All are welcome.

Ghanaian Catholic Association Christmas Party

The Ghanaian Catholic Association are holding their Christmas party in the Damien Hall on 29th December from 4.00pm. All are welcome.

Nigerian Prayer Group

The Nigerian Prayer Group will resume their prayer meeting in January 14th and 28th, 8.00pm in the Sacristy. All are welcome.

Nigerian Christmas Party

The Nigerian Community are having their Christmas party in the Damien Hall on Saturday 18 December; children's party is for 4.00pm to 8.00pm, adult party from 8.00pm till late. All are welcome. The Nigerian community would like to wish all STAC Parishioners a very happy Christmas.

The Knights of St. Columba

The Knights of St. Columba would like to thank all the Parishioners of St. Thomas the Apostle for their generosity in supporting their Christmas poster campaign in aid of the homeless. The knights would like to wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas and New Year.

Joint Advent Book Group with St Catherine's

Please let Ann Orton know (020 7252 8626) if you would like to come along.

Please Pray For

Please remember to pray for those people who have been bereaved and all who have died recently, including: baby Chase Griffin, Benjamin Dunn, Dennis Palmer, Maria Middleton, Thomas O'Keefe and Ifechuku Emanuel Okoli, Mary Gillet, Kay Cronin, Nestor Ofomalu Onyali, Samuel Duodu Amoah (Bobra), Frank Deegan, Ben Ikejiaku, Margaret Cronin, Bridie Connolly, Sonny Fernandez, Michael Onyali, Margaret Gunn, Jimmy Boyle, Rita Palmer, Andrea Saide RIP, Roger Hill, Pauline Coleman & Josephine Edwards.

Sick

Please remember to pray for all who are sick in our Parish, including: Maria Herriart, Teresa Cox, Peggie O'Sullivan, George and Cheryl Gabbett, Adama Sheriff, Miss Cox, Antonio Neto, John Cox, Wilma Power, Agatha St. Clair, Mrs Angela Roberts, Betty MacLean, George Kirby, Alma Fernandes, Margaret and Tom Wyse, Mary Rellis, Caroline Knight, Carline Onyekwere, Sarah Kayaga.

Anniversaries

Sybil Penn, Joyce Pound, Patrick O'Donnell, Baby Jeovane Lubegar-Sancroft, Bartly Walsh, John Blakesly, William Streete, Florence Joyce, Patrick Dilworth, John Keane, Tony Hawkins, Elizabeth Prior, Dominic Mondesir.

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